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Park West Two
Cliff Mine Road
Pittsburgh, PA 15275
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Site:	NEW BEDFORD
Break:	4.1
Other:	47405

July 26, 1984

Project No. 0725.14

Mr. Manuel Branco
Superintendent
Department of Public Works
759 Russels Mills Road
South Dartmouth, Massachusetts 02748

Dear Mr. Branco:

NUS Corporation, under contract to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), is conducting a Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study of known and suspected sites contaminated by PCBs in the New Bedford area. A task of this project is to perform a preliminary assessment of the level of contamination and degree of hazard potentially posed by approximately thirty (30) sites identified as suspected problem areas by various agencies and private parties (see attached list). This task is basically an information and records search, and will include site sampling if the available information and records provide evidence that a potential problem exists. Based on the sampling results, the EPA will assess what, if any, future actions are required.

An initial effort of this task is to canvass local officials regarding available records and personal information on the sites listed (or any others, if known). The information being sought includes any known or suspected disposal of industrial or chemical wastes; known or suspected disposal of dredged spoil materials from the harbor; water quality measurements made to date; complaints from local residents; the identification of other individuals who may be a resource for additional information; and any other relevant records or information.

Your help in this matter is greatly appreciated. We will phone you in a few days to further discuss this issue and to ascertain the level of information that your agency and yourself may have available. We will be glad to visit your office at your convenience if this would be more useful. This can be further discussed at the time of our phone call.

Again, thank you for your efforts.

Very truly yours,

Joseph G. Yeasted
Joseph G. Yeasted, P.E., Ph.D.
Project Manager

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LISTING OF THE SUSPECTED SITES:

Acushnet Municipal Landfill

Dartmouth Municipal Landfill

Fairhaven Municipal Landfill

Dr. Cecil Smith's Disposal Area (midway between Faunce Corner and Hixville)

Salter's Point Disposal Area. Town of Dartmouth

Garcia Bros. Disposal Area, Town of Fairhaven (west side of Alden Road)

Fougette's Disposal Area, New Bedford (north corner of the intersection of Church and Chaffee Streets)

Gravel Pit (behind New Bedford Airport)

North Fort Phoenix Beach, Fairhaven

Playground near South Terminal, New Bedford

Homer's Wharf

Francis Playground

New Bedford High School

Cushman Park, Fairhaven

Marsh Island

The empty lot across from the Goodyear plant area between Orchard and Bonney Streets, south of Katherine Street.

The empty lots across from the New Bedford High School, west side of Hathaway Blvd.